

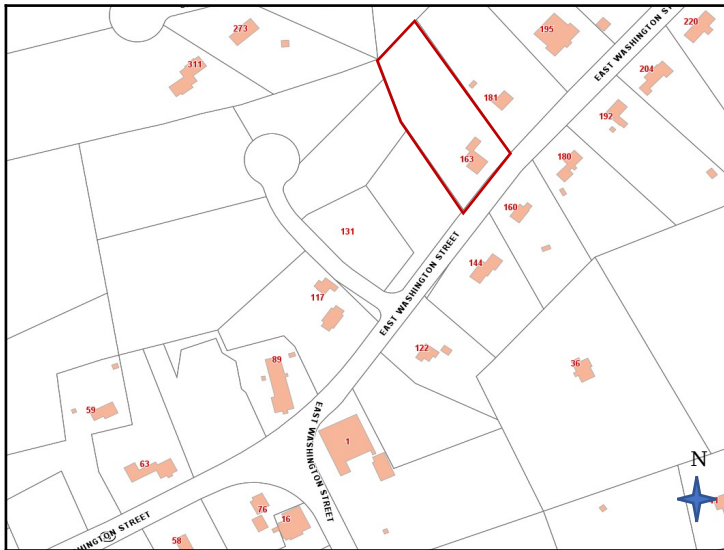
FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL
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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Town/City: Hanson

Place: (*neighborhood or village*):

Address: 163 East Washington Street

Historic Name: Byram and Desire Sampson
House

Uses: Present: Single-Family Dwelling

Original: Single Family Dwelling

Date of Construction: ca. 1800

Source: White's History, Plan No. 5, Page 82

Style/Form: Federal/Cape

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Stone

Wall/Trim: Wood Clapboard, Wood
Shingle/Wood

Roof: Asphalt Shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Wood board and picket fencing surrounding
backyard

Major Alterations (with dates): Barn/garage
attached to house by short connecting addition,
five-bay shed dormer across south façade(possibly
early 20th century), newer front door and
sidelights, and vinyl replacement windows

Condition: Fair

Moved: no ☒

yes ☐ **Date:**

Acreage: 1.28 Acres

Setting: Located on one of Hanson's main
thoroughfares in an area of predominantly single-
family homes ranging from early eighteenth
century farmhouses to late twentieth century
suburban development on large lots which
includes grass lawns and numerous mature trees,
bushes, and other vegetation.

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☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.*If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The one-and-a-half story, Cape style house has a long, asphalt shingled gable roof with a large shed dormer extending from edge to edge of the south, street facing, façade. The house is sided in wood clapboard with the exception of the dormer, which is wood shingle sided. The roof ends flush with the gable-ends on the east and west facades and has a wide, flat band of wood trim extending along the outer edge of the pediment which projects out slightly at its lower edge beyond the corner boards of the façade. On the south facing gable façade, the roof projects out only slightly beyond the façade and has narrow wood trimmed eaves. A low gable-end addition to the rear façade connects the house to a long, single story garage to the northeast of the house. The original double hung windows have been replaced with vinyl clad windows that are six-over-nine in the second floor of the building and nine-over-nine on the first floor. All of the windows have retained their wide wood molding trimmed window frames, and all of the first floor and dormer windows have wood shutters installed on the walls to either side. Two tall and narrow brick chimneys with corbeled tops extend out of the center of the roof ridge.

The house has a symmetrical front (south) façade. As noted above, the shed dormer extends to just short of the side and front facades, leaving only a thin skirt of asphalt shingles around the side and lower edges of the gable roof. A wide cornice board runs below the narrow eaves of the main roof which is echoed in the slightly wider cornice at the top edge of the shed dormer's south façade. The dormer's eaves also have similar, but are slightly wider, trim while two levels of flat wood trim is visible on each side of the dormer. Five double hung windows line the south façade of the dormer. On the first floor, two larger double hung windows are located to either side of the central front door. The door is set into a wood frame with a wide, flat wood board across the top and square pilasters to either side with large projecting bases. A fiberglass replacement door with a large leaded glass window at its center is flanked by narrow leaded glass sidelights over tall raised panels. A large granite front landing leads to a stone walkway to the street.

On the west façade, a double hung window is located at the center of the gable end with two small, four-pane fixed windows to either side. Two double hung windows are located on the first floor around a metal bulkhead located at the center of the façade. The east façade has the same window configuration as the west façade but has a side entrance rather than a bulkhead at the center of the façade. The door frame is unusually large and ornate for a second entrance, with a tall, wide frieze over the door that has a band of projecting trim at its upper and lower edges. The same wide, flat trim extends down to either side of the door as well, which is a fifteen pane French door located behind a storm door. Two granite steps lead from the door to the asphalt paved driveway. Behind the gable-end is the connection between the house and garage. A short gable-end roofed addition extends from the east corner of the north façade. On the east façade, the roof continues down well below the level of the windows on the first floor over an open porch between the house and the barn to the northeast.

The barn is a long, low, one-story structure that is shingled sided with a wide projecting cornice and corner boards on its south façade. A single, solid wood barn door is located at the center of the south façade just to the

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right of a short cupola sitting on the roof ridge. The east façade of the barn is unpainted wood shingles with a double hung window in the gable-end over two on the first floor.

A low stone wall runs along the sidewalk and the west side of the wide asphalt-paved driveway which extends from the street to the barn door. The open grass lawn is dotted with planting beds and mature trees. The east, south, and west sides of the house are covered in planting beds filled with bushes and groundcover. A low picket fence extends from the northwest corner of the house to the west property line, with a trellis style arch over the gate. To the right of the house, a solid wood board fence with finial topped posts, runs from the southeast corner of the barn to the east property line.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Although there is no clear date for the origin of this house, White's History of Hanson assumes the home was built prior to 1800. Byram Sampson Sr. (1781-1822) of Pembroke occupied the home until his death in October 1822.¹ Byram married Desire Barker, also of Pembroke, in 1806 and presumably moved to the home around that time. His son, Byram Sampson Jr. (1811-1902), a shoemaker, inherited the house in 1843. In 1836, Byram Jr. married Esther H. Cox. Together, they had two children that survived to adulthood—Ella and Mary. Ella married Lewis Josseyln in 1871. Byram's sister, Fanny, lived across the street into the late 19th century. The 1880 Census lists her as living with Esther and Byram, who is now listed only as a farmer. An 1830 Plan of Hanson list the house as belonging to "D. Sampson", suggesting that Desire Sampson may have stayed in the house after her husband's death and before the property passed to their son. By the 1856 Walling Map shows the house as the property of B. Sampson, presumably Byram Jr, and next to a school house to the east. B. Sampson continues to be listed as the owner of the property on the 1879 and 1903 Richards Atlas of Hanson.

The estate appears to have been subdivided and portions sold off to multiple people, including William Bourne, a farmer, and Rose Kane.² Both of these individuals sold land to John McLaughlin in 1911 and 1925, respectively. Sometime prior to 1910, John McLaughlin bought the house and surrounding farmlands. He is listed on the 1910 U.S. Census as a farmer, but by the 1930 U.S. Census, John McLaughlin was an automobile dealer. John had emigrated from Canada around 1884. He married his wife, Emma, in 1894 and lived here with their six children until his death in 1944.

After his death, Catherine McLaughlin, John's daughter, inherited the house from her father. In 1976, she surveyed the land and divided it into three parcels. Lot #1 included 163 East Washington Street on approximately 1.286 acres. Joseph T. and Rosemary A. Downey bought Lot #1 from Catherine McLaughlin in 1984.³ Jaime and Maryann Writesel purchased the property from the Downeys in 1987.⁴ Jay C. Walter and Joan Mullen bought the property from the Writesels in 1987.⁵ In 1998, they sold the property to Christopher and Sharon Kailher.⁶ The Kailhers sold the property to current owner David Hamill.⁷

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³ Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, Book 5590, Page 269

⁴ Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, Book 6852, Page 329

⁵ Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, Book 7955, Page 340

⁶ Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, Book 16505, page 91

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